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# Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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| Application Number     | 10/710,805            |
| Filing Date            | 08/04/2004            |
| First Named Inventor   | Hagopian et al.       |
| Art Unit               | 1762                  |
| Examiner Name          | Howear E. Abramowitzi |
| Attorney Docket Number | 27475/06963           |

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Other Consider the amendment previously filed on 03/19/2007.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

- The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 030172. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)      06/12/2007 HVUONG1 00000022 10710805
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)      01 FC:1801      790.00 OP
- iii. ☒ Other extra claim fees      02 FC:1202      150.00 OP
- 03 FC:1201      200.00 OP
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ \$1,260.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Signature         | <i>Kenn Smith</i> | Date             | June 7, 2007 |
| Name (Print/Type) | Kenneth J. Smith  | Registration No. | 45,115       |

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| Signature         | <i>Patrice Simpson</i> | Date | June 7, 2007 |
| Name (Print/Type) | Patrice Simpson        |      |              |

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.114. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
For FY 2006**☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) \$1,260.00

**Complete if Known**

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☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee☒ Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayments of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17☐ Credit any overpayments**WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**FEE CALCULATION (All the fees below are due upon filing or may be subject to a surcharge.)****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

| Application Type | FILING FEES |                       | SEARCH FEES |                       | EXAMINATION FEES |                       | Fees Paid (\$) |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
|                  | Fee (\$)    | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$)    | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$)         | Small Entity Fee (\$) |                |
| Utility          | 300         | 150                   | 500         | 250                   | 200              | 100                   |                |
| Design           | 200         | 100                   | 100         | 50                    | 130              | 65                    |                |
| Plant            | 200         | 100                   | 300         | 150                   | 160              | 80                    |                |
| Reissue          | 300         | 150                   | 500         | 250                   | 600              | 300                   |                |
| Provisional      | 200         | 100                   | 0           | 0                     | 0                | 0                     |                |

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

| Fee Description                                    | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) |
|--|----------|-----------------------|
| Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)            | 50       | 25                    |
| Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) | 200      | 100                   |
| Multiple dependent claims                          | 360      | 180                   |

  

| Total Claims                                  | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$)   |
|---|--------------|----------|-----------------|
| <u>69</u> - 20 or HP = <u>66</u> x <u>3</u> = |              |          | <u>\$150.00</u> |

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| Indep. Claims                                | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$)   |
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| <u>12</u> - 3 or HP = <u>11</u> x <u>1</u> = |              |          | <u>\$200.00</u> |

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| Multiple Dependent Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
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**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): RCE Request (790) extension (120)

Fees Paid (\$)

\$910.00

**SUBMITTED BY**

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|-------------------|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Signature         | <u>Kenn Smith</u>       | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) <u>47,687</u> | Telephone <u>216 622 8200</u> |
| Name (Print/Type) | <u>Kenneth J. Smith</u> | Date <u>June 7, 2007</u>                        |                               |

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